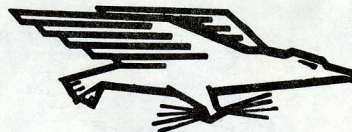


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## MCPO-CG Visits ORTU

The Master Chief Petty Officer of the Coast Guard, Chief Charles L. CALHOUN recently visited ORTUAG 05-83391, Alexandria, Virginia. In his report to the Commandant, Chief CALHOUN said:

To: Commandant  
Via: Assistant Commandant  
From: MCPO-CG

Subj: Visitation of ORTUAG 05-83391, Alexandria, Va., on 7 November 1970; information concerning

1. On Saturday, 7 November 1970, in company with YNC William E. TIMMONS, Jr., I visited ORTUAG 05-83391, Alexandria, Virginia.
2. With the exception of Coast Guard Reserve Training Center, Yorktown, Virginia, and USCGC COURIER (WTR 410), this is the only Reserve unit that I have visited. The unit is under the command of LCDR Reynold J. MATTHEWS.
3. If this unit is an example of our Coast Guard Reserve, we are indeed fortunate. The personnel presented an outstanding appearance in military bearing as well as expertise. This is

a truly dedicated unit.

4. The two boats operated by the unit, 40 foot utility boat and the 31 footer, were in excellent condition. All personnel had extreme pride in their unit which is certainly reflected throughout ORTUAG 05-83391.

5. I talked with all hands and conducted a question and answer period. There were no problems. Everyone seemed to be well oriented in the operation of the Coast Guard Reserve as well as their unit.

CHARLES L. CALHOUN



RADM J. D. McCUBBIN presenting Coast Guard Commendation Medal to LCDR MOORE at Yorktown, 14 August 1970. Looking on are; (l to r) LT TOLLES, LCDR BENDL, and CWO GREGORIO.

## RECENT AWARDS

The following Medals and Awards to Coast Guard Reservists have been awarded.

### COAST GUARD MERITORIOUS SERVICE MEDAL

CAPT Carl H. ROSENE 35996

### NAVY COMMENDATION MEDAL with COMBAT "V"

LTJG Frederick M. EVANS 43144

LTJG Daniel G. CAYE 43343

LTJG Christopher R. GILLESPIE  
43123

LTJG Allen P. GOLDADE 43155

LTJG William E. LOFGREN 43141

LTJG Nicholas R. THINES 43066

### COAST GUARD COMMENDATION MEDAL

LCDR A. C. MOORE 50243

### COAST GUARD ACHIEVEMENT MEDAL

LTJG Philip R. HENRY 43426

LTJG Mark E. LONGMEIER 43310

LCDR B. C. BENDL 40547

### COMMANDANT'S LETTERS OF COMMENDATION

LTJG John B. CHARAMELLA  
43330

LT G. R. TOLLES 40124

CWO D. M. GREGORIO 41575

To these members of the Reserve Force, a hearty "Well Done!"





## KNOW YOUR LEADER

Captain George W. WAGNER is Chief, Reserve Division, Third Coast Guard District with headquarters on Governors Island in New York Harbor.

He was born on 27 August 1921 in Malden, Massachusetts, attended public schools in Medford and Boston, Massachusetts, and was graduated from Jamaica Plain High School in Boston in 1938. He attended Northeastern University for one year and then entered the U.S. Coast Guard Academy. He graduated from the Academy in June 1944 and reported to USCGC INGHAM for duty as a deck officer.

Shortly after Ensign WAGNER reported aboard, INGHAM underwent conversion for service as an amphibious force command ship in the Pacific.

On board INGHAM, Ensign WAGNER participated in amphibious landing operations in the Philippines until the end of the war, notable among which were operations involving the recapture of Bataan and Corregidor for which INGHAM was flagship. Immediately following the war, INGHAM served briefly in Okinawa, Shanghai, Hong Kong, Formosa, and Haiphong (in what was then French Indochina, now better known as North Vietnam).

On return to the United States in January 1946, INGHAM was reconverted for ocean station duty. LTJG WAGNER made several North Atlantic ocean station patrols on board INGHAM and then was assigned to flight

training in Pensacola, Florida in February 1947.

After completing flight training in July 1948, LTJG WAGNER served as an aviator at various Coast Guard Air Stations and Air Detachments reporting to Traverse City, Michigan in 1948; to Kodiak, Alaska in 1950; to Quonset Point, Rhode Island in 1951; to San Juan, Puerto Rico in 1954; to Naples, Italy in 1962 and to Brooklyn, New York in 1965. He was Commanding Officer of the three latter stations.

He was promoted to Captain in April 1967.

From August 1967 to August 1970, he was Chief of Search and Rescue in the Fourteenth District. CAPT WAGNER reported to his present assignment in September 1970.

He received a Commandant's Letter of Commendation for his actions as aircraft commander leading to the rescue of crewmembers of the SS FORT MERCER and SS PENDLETON, two 10,000 ton tankers which broke in half on the same day in February 1952 in a storm east of Cape Cod.

In 1956, he was awarded the Coast Guard Commendation Medal for his part in the rescue of an injured merchant seaman which involved an aircraft landing in the open sea.

He wears the following campaign medals:

- American Defense
- American Theatre
- Asiatic-Pacific Theatre with two stars
- World War II Victory
- Navy Occupation Service with Asia Clasp
- China Service Extended
- National Defense
- Philippine Liberation with one star
- Philippine Presidential Unit Citation

CAPT WAGNER is married to the former Elizabeth A. Fahey of Weymouth, Massachusetts. The Wagners have two children, a daughter, Mrs. William R. Swanson of Watertown, Massachusetts and a son, Thomas, a senior at Arizona State University.

## SAFETY NOTICES

From time to time, the Inspector General's Office issues safety notices. This one should be of interest to reservists in the field.

### TIRE SAFETY KIT

While tire durability has increased tremendously, the selection and maintenance of your tires is still an important part of traffic safety. For instance, 60

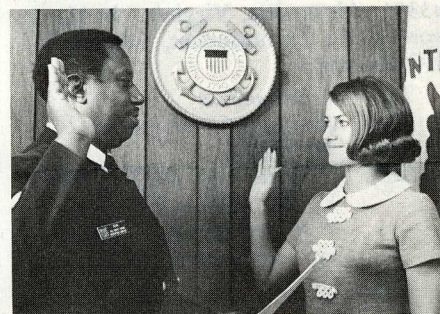
and 70 series tires should be used only in pairs on the same axle, and Radials should be used only in sets of 4. While modern tires hold air for longer periods, it is still important to check the pressure. In most service stations today the only way to check tire pressure is with a gauge that controls the inflation hose. The Deputy Inspector General for safety, recently visited 10 service stations and checked tires with the station's gauge, then checked them with a hand gauge known to be accurate. Only 2 of the service station gauges were accurate within 1 pound, 8 of the 10 showed differences ranging from 2 to 7 pounds. Moral: Carry your own tire gauge.

The Tire Industry Safety Council has made available a Tire Safety and Mileage Kit that will help you to care for your tires. The kit, which is available for \$1.00, comes in a plastic envelope suitable for glove compartment storage. It contains:

- 1 Tire Pressure Gauge
- 1 Tire Tread Gauge
- 4 Valve Caps
- 1 Booklet, "Consumer Guide to Tire Care and Safety" which will tell you the load rating of your tires and give you other rules about selection and care of tires.

The kit is an excellent value. You may obtain it by sending \$1.00 (cash or check, no stamps) to:

Tire Safety  
Box 726  
New York, New York 10010



"I can't go out and fight alongside the men in service, so I figured I might as well do what I can." This was Christine L. Waldrip's explanation of her reason to enlist in the SPARS on 13 November 1970. SR WALDRIP is the first SPAR to enlist in Southern California in three years. Following her enlistment, she was assigned to the U.S. Navy's "Boot Camp" for Waves in Bainbridge, Md. Upon completion of recruit training she will be assigned to the HM Schooner at Great Lakes, Ill., then to a major Coast Guard unit for duty.



# LOST CHECKS

There have been too many instances recently where Reserve personnel have lost their drill pay checks. This article will explain the procedures for stop payment of checks.

In the event a Reservist loses his check or it is destroyed, etc., he must submit a statement answering the following questions:

- (1) Was the check ever received?  
If so, was it lost, stolen or destroyed?
  - a. Give the circumstances regarding the loss, theft or destruction.
  - b. Was the check endorsed, and if so, how?
- (2) For what purpose was the check issued?
- (3) What is the present address of the claimant?

In addition to the above statement, the reservist will submit a separate "Request for Stop Payment" Form (SF-1180). He should complete items 1 through 9 on the request. These forms may be obtained by the Unit through normal supply procedures.

The completed forms and statement should be sent via the District Commander (r) and Commandant (FP-3) o:

**TREASURER**  
U. S. Check Claims Division,  
Stop Payment Branch  
Washington, D. C. 20226



LCDR D. M. GLANCY, Commanding Officer of ORTUEL 05-85406, accepts the Commandant's Award in the "other" category from RADM E. C. ALLEN, Commander, Fifth Coast Guard District. Looking on is LCDR K. W. CHESTER, the unit's past Commanding Officer.

## Coast Guard History Corner

The November issue of the RESERVIST left the BEAR lying at an isolated pier in Oakland, California awaiting the shipbreakers. The BEAR was rescued from this fate by Rear Admiral Richard E. Byrd, the explorer. He needed a stout ship—one capable of carrying him to the Antarctic—at a low cost. He bought the BEAR for \$1050 and lengthened her name to "BEAR OF OAKLAND". After a complete overhaul in Boston, BEAR sailed south in September 1933 in her new role as an exploration ship.

Between 1933 and 1941, Admiral Byrd used the BEAR OF OAKLAND for a wide variety of duties. Escorting ships through the pack ice of the Ross Sea and the Bay of Whales, battling ice (which could easily crush weaker ships), hurricane force winds, and "white-outs" (blizzard conditions which reduce visibility to zero and make accurate navigation all but impossible), the BEAR served as the most durable link in the chain supporting Admiral Byrd's expeditions. On many occasions, it was the BEAR that "came through", since the thin-skinned steel ships could not withstand the pounding of the pack ice as could BEAR.

In 1941 World War II was just around the corner and the United States had assumed the responsibility of protecting Greenland after the capture of Denmark by Germany. The Coast Guard was charged with establishing patrols in the area, and the Commandant, then—Rear Admiral R. R. WAESCHE, USCG was faced with the task of "finding" ships to do the job. After some negotiation, Admiral Byrd turned the BEAR back to the Coast Guard and she was assigned to the Greenland Patrol; along with the CGC NORTHLAND, which had been built to replace her. The Patrol, under the command of then—Commander E. H. (Iceberg) SMITH, captured the Norwegian ship BUSKOE in October 1941 and the BEAR was assigned to tow the captured ship to Boston; thus making the BEAR a participant in the first American naval capture of World War II. During the remainder of the War, she served as a convoy escort ship in the Greenland area, often breaking the ice for the newer although less well built ships. For a while, she served as a weather ship. Finally in March 1944

she was decommissioned—newer ships had been built to replace her. Ironically the CGC NORTHLAND which had "replaced" the BEAR in 1929 was also decommissioned shortly after the war.

The BEAR was sold to a shipping company in Nova Scotia in 1948, which had planned to return her to the sealing trade, which she had left 64 years before. Hard times prevented her refitting and instead she was sold to become a floating museum in San Francisco. This plan too failed and she was sold again to become a floating restaurant and museum in Philadelphia. She was restored to her "turn of the century" configuration. On 16 March 1963 she departed Halifax under tow for Philadelphia. A severe Atlantic storm was encountered shortly after departure. The aged timbers of the historic ship could not withstand the storm's assault and she sank 90 miles south of Cape Sable, Nova Scotia on 19 March 1963, ninety years after her beginning and long after most of her crews had passed away.

### Coast Guard History questions

1. Which of the following animals was introduced into Alaska, largely through the efforts of the "Coast Guard"?  
a. caribou b. musk ox c. reindeer
2. During the Battle of Cardenas Bay, the Revenue Cutter \_\_\_\_\_ towed the Navy Torpedo boat WINSLOW to safety after the latter had been seriously damaged by Spanish gunfire.  
a. MODOC b. HUDSON c. SNOHOMISH
3. Which of the following Cutters were responsible for the capture of the infamous pirate ship BRAVO?  
a. LOUISIANA b. WOLCOTT  
c. MORRIS d. ALABAMA

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## Fleet Reserve Association

The Coast Guard was accepted for membership in the Fleet Reserve Association at their National Convention in Denver, Colorado effective 11 September 1970.

If you are an enlisted Coast Guardsman with at least four years of active federal military service and have an obligation to serve at least two more years on active duty, or are drawing retired pay, you can join the FRA. Commissioned officers who have at least one day of active enlisted service and meet the above requirements may join.

Annual dues are \$10.00. Write to:

Fleet Reserve Association  
1303 New Hampshire Ave., N.W.  
Washington, D. C. 20031



## RESERVE DIRECTIVES AND PUBLICATIONS

The following directives and amendments to publications of interest to reservists have been published since the October issue of the RESERVIST.

- 9-9-70 COMDTNOTE 1401. Inactive Reserve Officer Selection Boards.
- 9-15-70 COMDTNOTE 1223. Activation of the Machine Accountant Service Rating for Inactive Duty Personnel of the Coast Guard Reserve.
- 9-25-70 COMDTNOTE 1417. December 1970 Warrant Officer Examination for Appointment to Warrant Officer, W-1, For Inactive Duty Reserve Personnel; information concerning.
- 10-1-70 COMDTNOTE 1421. Appointment of Qualified Inactive Reserve Chief Warrant Officers as Lieutenant, Junior Grade.
- 10-6-70 COMDTNOTE 1571. Reserve Training Center Yorktown ACDUTRA Courses, Off-season—1970-71.
- 10-7-70 COMDTINST 1500.4 Training of Reserve Personnel at Regular Coast Guard Units.
- 10-9-70 COMDTNOTE 1571. Seaman/Fireman School for Reserve E-2 Personnel.
- 10-20-70 COMDTNOTE 1430 (ALDIST 171) Termination of Provisional Status Appointments to Reserve CPO's.
- 10-22-70 COMDTNOTE 1571. Naval War College Senior Reserve Officer Course.
- 10-29-70 COMDTNOTE 5060. The Admiral Russell R. Waesche Award for Fiscal Year 1970; announcement of winner.
- 11-9-70 COMDTNOTE 5213. Cancellation and Destruction of Forms Used in Processing Servicewide and Warrant Officer Examinations for Inactive Reserve Personnel; information concerning.
- 11-9-70 COMDTINST 7132.4A. Reserve Training Appropriation; financial management of
- 11-13-70 Amendment 24 to CG-296

## District Awards—FY—1970

DISTRICT UNIT	LOCATION	COMMANDING OFFICER
ORTUPS		RANK NAME
01 82054	PORTSMOUTH, N.H.	LCDR J. A. SMITH
02 82105	CINCINNATI, O.	LCDR A. H. GIFFORD
03 82315	WATERBURY, CONN.	LCDR T. S. LATHAM
05 82353	BALTIMORE, MD.	CDR W. P. GRIFFIN
07 82503	ST. PETERSBURG, FLA.	LCDR T. W. KEENE
08 82532	BIRMINGHAM, ALA.	LCDR J. RENSHAW
09 82631	FOREST PARK, ILL.	LCDR B. C. VENDLE
11 82727	POMONA, CALIF.	LCDR J. M. MCCARTHY
12 82788	EUREKA, CALIF.	LCDR O. W. BAKER
13 82910	SEATTLE, WASH.	CDR J. J. O'ROURKE
14 82951	HONOLULU, H.	CDR G. A. STEPP
ORTUAG		
01 83054	PROVIDENCE, R.I.	LCDR G. W. BROCKWAY
02 83137	PITTSBURGH, PA.	LCDR E. G. TAYLOR
03 83226	FORT SCHUYLER, N.Y.	CDR G. T. VOGEL
05 83376	LITTLE CREEK, VA.	LCDR R. A. COOKE
07 83496	ORLANDO, FLA.	LCDR J. A. GOODIN
08 83558	NEW ORLEANS, LA.	LCDR N. E. HANSEN
09 83609	BATTLE CREEK, MICH.	LCDR J. D. WEGENKA
11 83731	PHOENIX, ARIZ.	LCDR R. E. GOSS
12 83778	ALAMEDA, CALIF.	LCDR R. D. PETERS
13 83893	PORTLAND, ORE.	LCDR L. P. BROOKS
14 83974	HONOLULU, H.	LCDR F. A. ZOBRIST
OTHER		
01 85011	BOSTON, MASS.	LCDR T. C. GELCHRIST
02	NO NOMINATION	
03 85223	STATEN ISLAND, N.Y.	LCDR R. T. LUNDQUIST
05 89385	PORTSMOUTH, VA.	LCDR C. M. PARKER
07 86496	SAVANNAH, GA.	LCDR R. M. BISSY
08 84558	NEW ORLEANS, LA.	LCDR W. W. FRYE JR.
09 85620	CLEVELAND, O.	LCDR W. H. STRIEBLE
11 89775	LONG BEACH, CALIF.	LCDR J. M. KELLY
12 86637	SAN FRANCISCO, CALIF.	LCDR D. J. MURPHY
13 89918	SEATTLE, WASH.	LCDR G. O. PETERSEN
14	NO UNITS IN DISTRICT	
	affecting Chapters 3, 4, 9, and 11.	
11-16-70	COMDTNOTE 1571. Instructor/Administrator Personnel for Active Duty for Training; information concerning.	
11-25-70	COMDTNOTE 1571, CH-2 to COMDTINST 1571.5A, CH-1, Subj: Active Duty for Training at Regular Coast Guard Operating Units.	
12-1-70	Amendment 25 to CG-296 which promulgates a list of effective pages and a revised alphabetical index.	
12-8-70	COMDTNOTE 1571. National War College Defense Strategy Seminar; information concerning	
12-9-70	COMDTNOTE 1571. Evaluation of Enlisted Personnel on ANACDUTRA.	

Answers to History questions 1-c 2-b 3-a and d

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